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SENATOR STEWART ON THE AMENDMENT.

On the first page of this issue of THE CAUCASIAN will be found a very able and learned legal opinion by Senator William M. Stewart on the proposed constitutional amendment. It will be noticed that Senator Stewart unhesitatingly and emphatically takes the same position on this monstrous absurdity that Senator Allen, ex-Senator Edmunds, Senator Pettigrew and others have already taken. He declares that section 5 is plainly and distinctly in contravention of the fifteenth amendment to the Constitution of the United States. He further declares that in as much as the object of section 4 is one thing and the object of section 5 is a distinctly separate and different thing, and that section 4 will be complete and uniform and operative with section 5 left out, that therefore the Supreme Court of the United States will knock out section 5 and leave the remainder of the amendment to stand.

If this is what will happen if the amendment were adopted, then how can a single honest man in the State support it? Let it be remembered in this connection that Senator Stewart was a member of the United States Senate when the 15th amendment to the United States Constitution was adopted in the discussion of that amendment, and he is the only man now in the Senate who was then in the Senate. Therefore, his opinion on this question is of great weight. Besides, let it be remembered that Senator Stewart is and has always been a strong friend of the South. He was instrumental in having left out of that fifteenth amendment the provision guaranteeing that negroes should hold office. He took the position that the states ought to be left free to determine whether or not the negro should hold office and that Congress should go no further than guarantee that there should be no discrimination against him on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

In this connection, let it also be remembered that to the efforts of Senator Stewart probably more than to any other man is due the defeat of the Force Bill. He was at that time a member of the Republican party, but he rose on that occasion, as he had often done before, above party and declared that no party lash or caucus could bind him to support such a measure. Let it also be remembered that Senator Stewart is today an ardent supporter of William J. Bryan for President. Therefore, his views on this question are not biased by party or sectional prejudice. They are the views of a brave, bold, and true man who has the courage to express his convictions and stand by them. Besides, they are the views of one of the greatest constitutional lawyers in America.

Is it not time for the average Democratic lawyer in North Carolina who is so glibly and so lustily declaring that the amendment is constitutional, to stop and think? Is it not time for him to look up on his own conscience and motives and to realize that he is a partisan in this business and that his judgment is liable to be warped and biased by his party prejudice and his political desires? Is it not time for these lawyers to be honest with themselves and with the voters of the State and to at least give to the poor, illiterate white voters of the State the benefit of the doubt? For surely there is not a lawyer in North Carolina, however much he may believe that the amendment is constitutional, but who must admit that there is at least a doubt about it. Let these lawyers remember that if Senator Stewart is right, if ex-Senator Edmunds (whom the Democrats admit to be the greatest constitutional lawyer in America) is right, if Senator Allen is right, if Senator Pettigrew is right, if Senator Caffery is right, and if a majority of the leading lawyers of the Senate on both sides of the Senate are right that then the court will not only declare section 5 unconstitutional but will knock it out, leaving the remainder of the amendment to stand. Let these lawyers remember that if this happens, as it is more than probable it will (in fact, in the opinion of the Caucasian, as it surely will) then that there will be fifty or sixty thousand white men in North Carolina who will be disfranchised, while there will be equally that many negroes left to vote, thus putting these poor white men below the town negro.

Now we want to ask these Democratic lawyers if they can look into their consciences and advise the poor illiterate white man of the State to take these risks. Now a word to the voters themselves. We wish to ask the voters of North Carolina, that even if these lawyers have no regard for the dangers that lurk in this amendment for the illiterate white

voters of the State, if they, the voters, will take the risk of putting this brand upon fifty or sixty thousand of our truest and best white men? Remember that Simmons and his political henchmen made fair promises in the last campaign and when in power broke and violated every pledge. Let them remember that the same men when making more fair promises are equally as liable to break and violate them everyone.

Freedmen of North Carolina think for yourselves and think twice before you take this dangerous step.

### HOW IT WORKS IN LOUISIANA.

The registration of voters has just been completed in Louisiana, that State that has already adopted a grandfather clause amendment like the one pending in this State. The New Orleans Times-Democrat, the leading Democratic daily in Louisiana calls attention to the great frauds that have been committed by the Democratic registrars. It calls attention to the fact that there are in New Orleans not more than twenty-four thousand native white voters to be registered, while the registration books show that over thirty-three thousand names have been registered as native white. It further calls attention to the fact that in the Parish of St. Charles there is known to be only 310 native white voters who could register rightfully under the present law, while the registration books contain the names of 1066 who are certified to be by the registrars as being native white voters. These are two samples of a score of cases of the flagrant frauds published by the Times-Democrat in over a column article. The Times-Democrat openly and squarely charges that these Democratic registrars have padded the registration books, and that many of the names that are put down as native white voters are illiterate negroes who were disfranchised by the grandfather clause amendment, and it further charges that this padding by the Democratic registrars has been done at the dictation of a lot of political bosses who want to count fictitious or disfranchised negro voters in certain counties of the State in order to overcome the opposition of the white voters in other counties to the domination of this same political machine. It simply shows what will happen in North Carolina if Simmons and his gang of ballot box stuffers are permanently placed in power. It will mean political slavery to the white men who dare to oppose the machine. The New Orleans Times-Democrat says that the white men of Louisiana are feeling the sting of this political slavery in the first election after the adoption of the very amendment. White votes of North Carolina heed these facts and take warning.

**NOVEMBER 18, 1890.**  
In another column of this issue we publish an extract from the last Democratic Handbook. It will be seen that the Democratic party officially pledged the people that if the Democratic party was put in power it would not attempt to disfranchise a single voter in the State, white or black. The Handbook went further, and denounced as a liar and as a slanderer everyone who made any such charge. Not only this, but the Handbook went further and declared that a Democratic State Convention would spit upon any man who would even offer such an unjust and undemocratic proposition. The State is familiar with how the Simmons machine laid the party lash on the members of the last legislature and gagged and whipped them into swallowing their own words and solemn campaign promises and doing that which they had pledged the people not to do. They forced the legislature to submit a most odious and dangerous scheme. The Democratic State convention met yesterday. Did it spit on Simmons and his machine? No. Another broken pledge. Now let the honest rank and file make good the party pledge and proceed to "spit upon" these men at the polls.

### EVEN DEMOCRATS DO NOT BELIEVE IT.

The following is from the editorial columns of the Raleigh News and Observer:

The Times-Mercury, negro organ that poses as a Populist, says there will be three electoral ticket in this State in November. It was a part of the trade between Pritchard and Bonner that the latter should do all he could to give the State to McKinley by running a side-show electoral ticket. The Times-Mercury is only confirming the terms of the fusion trade.

In this issue of the CAUCASIAN will be found an article by James B. Lloyd suggesting a plan to solve the race question as an issue in politics, and we commend it to the earnest consideration of the People's Party Convention which meets here next week. The proposed plan is far better and wiser than the pending Democratic scheme, which at best, is only a temporary expedient, and will not remove the race question as an issue, because the educated town negro could still hold office and thus give an excuse to the Democratic machine, whenever it becomes necessary, to raise the cry of "nigger."

### EDITORS' AWFUL FLIGHT.

F. M. Higgins, Editor Seneca, Ills., News, a small paper for negroes, which that no doctor or surgeon held him until he tried Buckner's Arnica Salve. He writes two boxes wholly cured him. It's the sweet pile cure in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25cts. Sold by all druggist.

From present indications it seems that there will be an early adjournment of Congress. Prominent Administration leaders in both Houses are quoted as saying that Congress will probably adjourn as early as the first of June.

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Dr. E. A. Alderman, the young, brilliant, and progressive President of the State University, has been elected President of Tulane University of New Orleans. It is gratifying to see the great universities in other States turning so frequently to North Carolina in search of able Presidents and professors; but we trust that Dr. Alderman will not feel that it is his duty to leave North Carolina, however flattering the call to Tulane University may be. The University of North Carolina is the greatest University of the South, and it should be able to hold in its service the ablest educators we have produced in the State. If, however, Dr. Alderman should leave us, we trust that within a few years at least he will return to us as Dr. Winston has.

A subscriber writes us to know if it is a fact that the registrars under the present election law are not required to take any oath to be fair and honest in registering voters and to do their duty in that capacity.

In answer we state that there is no provision in the present election law requiring the registrars to take an oath to perform honestly and conscientiously their duty as registrars.

Further than that, Senator Franks offered an amendment when the last legislature was in session providing that the registrars should be sworn, and the Simmons machine sent in to the legislature its orders that that amendment must be voted down, and it was voted down. But even if the registrars were required to take an oath under the present law it would do little good, because he can steal and cheat according to the provisions of the law. In fact, the purpose of the election law is to legalize stealing and fraud.

The People's Party State convention meets in Raleigh on Wednesday of next week. We trust that every county will be represented by a good delegation of wise and level-headed men. It is an important convention, and we should have the wisest and most patriotic heads in the party together. We know that members of the People's Party as a rule have no extra money to spare and that therefore it is quite a tax on delegates from a distance to attend. We trust, however, that in distant counties where all the delegates cannot attend on account of the expense, that they will all club together and pay the expenses of one or more so that the county may be justly represented.

The candidacy of Admiral Dewey for the Presidency when first announced was a surprise to the whole country. It has since been regarded almost as a national joke.

### 25 CENTS TILL AUGUST ELECTION.

We have been urged by many of our subscribers to make a campaign rate for the CAUCASIAN till the State election next August. They say that they could get many persons to subscribe in clubs who do not take the paper with a low special campaign rate.

In response to these requests we make a 25 cent rate for the State campaign, provided that they are sent in clubs of not less than four. That is for \$1.00 we will send four copies to any address till the August election.

With this very low campaign rate the friends and supporters of honest elections of liberty and manhood suffrage should send us at least ten thousand new subscribers within the next thirty days.

### GOOD NEWS FROM CHATHAM.

Men of Chatham Indignant Against the Fraudulent Election Law and Determined to See That Their Votes are Counted Cast.

ELIZA CITY, N. C., April 5, 1900.

EDITOR CAUCASIAN.

Permit me to write you a line to say that our county convention on last week was a very large and enthusiastic one. I never saw a more determined crowd of men assembled.

There is more feeling and indignation against the election law than anything else. The men of Chatham feel that no free people should submit to such an outrageous law prepared for stealing their votes.

If we allow a band of ballot box stuffers to count out and steal our votes then we are no longer free and the State will be ruled by a corrupt machine against the wishes of the people. If every county will do its duty like old Chatham, these ballot box stuffers would be repudiated by a large and indignant majority of the voters of the State. We are determined to see that our names are registered even though the law does not require the registrar to do our duty. Further we intend to cast our votes in the event of a removal; by whomsoever it may be.

As the CAUCASIAN has announced before, Senator Allen of Nebraska has consented to attend the People's Party State Convention next week, and deliver an address. Senator Allen is one of the biggest and brainiest men, not only in the People's Party but in any party in the United States. He is unquestionably one of the ablest men in the United States Senate, which is the ablest legislative body in the world. It is worth going hundreds of miles to see and hear this brave and true exponent of People's Party principles. We feel satisfied that every Populist in the State who can spare the money will be in Raleigh on next Wednesday to hear him.

The Democratic State Convention on yesterday nominated a man for Governor who has been reported by Democratic dailies as declaring that he intended to be elected if it took fraud, force, and perjury to accomplish it. It remains to be seen how kindly the conservative, god-fearing and law-abiding citizens of North Carolina will take to this kind of an utterance. For ourselves we desire to believe that Mr. Aycock never used the expression, but the CAUCASIAN has called upon him three weeks in succession to say whether or not he did use the expression. Our columns are open to him for denial, but up to date he has furnished no correction.

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**A condition, Not a Theory—Political.**

"The question is, What shall we do with our new possessions?" Youngblood "I tell you what I do with mine; I walk the floor nights with it,"—Harpers Bazaar.

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MAKING A HEAVY GUN.  
Takes Longer Than the Construction of  
the Ship That Carries It.

Mr. W. J. Gordon sketches Woolwich arsenal in the Leisure Hour. Among a host of interesting descriptions may be seen here what he says about the making of a gun: "In their early days these guns are unexpectedly long and slender things, owing to their being without the coils and jackets that build them up to such bulkiness. They look their longest having their wiring, that modern process which enabled us to reduce the bulk of the gun so much that the podgy Woolwich infants have developed into graceful boys. There is something startling in finding a gun being treated like a bat-handle, the only differences being that instead of waxed thread you wind on a thin flat strip of steel having a breaking strain of 100 tons to the square inch, and wind this on in several layers instead of one. The gun revolves in a lathe as the cricket-bat does, but much more slowly, and in place of the wooden spool of thread there stands, at right angles to it, a huge iron reel, from which the ribbon or wire, as it is called, which is about a quarter of an inch wide, is wound to and fro at high tension, the spirals being knocked up tight to each other with a punch whenever they fail to wind on closely together. The gun is thus wrapped with literally miles of wire mostly in the region of the powder chamber. Over the wire jacket come the hoops of cast steel cut out of ingots as disks, and forged into rings just a trifle smaller than the finger they are to fit; and when these are finished they are one by one, for there are many of them, heated just enough to expand them, and slipped over the gun to shrink and grip it as they cool, the sun being upright at the time, with a stream of water flowing through its bore to keep the temperature down. In this way wiring is all hidden, and the gun looks as though it were built in entirely of these massive bands, as it used to be. The lathe-work and other operations necessitated by all this may be imagined, and we cease to wonder why it takes longer to make a heavy gun than it does to build the ship."

Gold records may constitute a very mobile population, and movements of this kind are among the things to be expected, though a little while ago I imagined that such a change as that indicated in the press dispatches would take place so soon. A striking incident of the exodus, and one which throws a strong light upon the character of the population, is the contemplated movement of the largest playhouse in Dawson to the Cape Nome region, a distance of 2,000 miles.

Breslau has a paper chimney 50 feet high and perfectly fireproof.

## Cleanse Your Blood

The thing most desired of a Spring Medicine is thorough purification of the blood. With this work of cleansing going on there is complete renovation of every part of your system. Not only is the corrupt blood made fresh, bright and lively, but the stomach also responds in better digestion, its readiness for food at proper times gives sharp appetite, the kidneys and liver properly perform their allotted functions, and there is, in short, new brain, nerve, mental and digestive strength.

## Hood's Sarsaparilla

Possesses the peculiar qualities—*Picutur to Itself*—which accomplish these good things for all who take it. An unlimited list of wonderful cures proves its merit.

To Have Baths in the Schools.

An experiment is soon to be tried by the Committee on Buildings of the Manhattan School Board. It consists of providing school baths in the public schools, and is a scheme of the Commissioner O'Brien has been pushing for some time. The experiment will be tried first in a few schools on the lower East Side, and the plan to be adopted, it is said, will be most effective, and yet cost a moderate amount.

Portions of the playgrounds will be curtailed off, and this space will serve for the dressing rooms and baths, which will be entirely of the needle description. These, it is believed, give better sanitary effects than the ordinary showers. The city will furnish hot and cold water, but the children must bring their own towels.—New York Tribune.

## Nothing in the Wide World

has such a record for absolutely curing female ills and kidney troubles as has Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Medicines that are advertised to cure everything cannot be specific for anything.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will not cure every kind of illness that may afflict men, women and children, but proof is monumental that it will and does cure all the ills peculiar to women.

This is a fact indisputable and can be verified by more than a million women.

If you are sick don't experiment, take the medicine that has the record of the largest number of cures.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Co., Lynn, Mass.

No. 15.



Bring forth your triumphs, Easter bells,  
Till earth shall learn the story,  
Sweet is the news your music tells,  
He lives, the King of Glory!  
The Lamb, who was for sinners slain,  
Comes forth from death in might to reign.

Behold, from winter's thrall set free,  
The little fair is sprouting;  
Their radiant bloom, in holy glories  
The waking earth is bringing,  
A tribute to the Lamb once slain,  
Now raised in endless might to reign.

Come forth ye souls, in glad new life,  
With love and light to bring;  
With bloom of love and beauty life,  
His grace ye are adoring;  
The Lamb, who once for you was slain,  
Doth bid you rise with him and reign.

Who loved the sunshine and the flowers  
better than she, and yet among  
them all was there one who saw  
little of the sunshine and the flowers  
as she did? From her seat by the window  
she saw the little ones playing  
in the street, and the pleasant  
sights of many a young mother came  
to her ear, her question: "Why am I  
not like other children?" became ever  
more urgent.

So the summer passed, and when  
winter came the little girl was still  
pale and she had become so weak that  
she could no longer sit on her window  
sill, but was obliged to remain lying  
in bed, and just when the snowdrifts  
were beginning to peep above ground,  
the good old mother came to her one  
night and told her how glorious  
and beautiful it was in heaven.

The following morning the child  
was dead.

"Don't weep, father" said her new  
mother; "it is best for the poor child,"

And the girl's father answered  
not, but simply nodded his head.

The little girl was buried, but on  
Easter morn an angel with large white  
wings like a swan flew down from  
heaven, seated himself beside the  
grave and knocked thereon, as though  
it were a door. And soon the little  
girl came forth from the grave and the  
angel told her that he had come to  
take her to her mother in heaven.

Then the little girl asked in a trembling  
voice whether even humpbacked

children could enter heaven. She  
could not conceive such a thing possible.

Yet the angel answered, "You dear  
good child, you are no longer hump-  
backed," and with those words he  
passed his white hand over her back  
and the ugly gold bell fell off like a  
great hollow shell, and this left her a  
transformed being.

And what was in it? Two beautiful  
white angel wings! The child spread  
them out, as though she had always  
known how to fly, and she flew with  
the angel through the dazzling sun-  
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Herald.

To Color Easter Eggs.

Fill a large kettle with cold water,  
drop in goat's milk. It comes from  
near Milan and needs to ripen two or  
three years. There are a few varieties  
of cheeses which keep many years.

A Parmesan cheese has been kept 150  
and found to be good when eaten,

and to be good when eaten.

Let Husbands Rejoice.

Who says the year 1900 isn't a jubilee  
year? It is now announced that

Easter bounties this spring will be  
cheaper than ever before.

VISIT OF THE ANGEL MOTHER.

Fashion she sometimes prayed that  
some good fairy would come and take  
away the burden that threatened to  
blight her whole life.

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pale and she had become so weak that  
she could no longer sit on her window  
sill, but was obliged to remain lying  
in bed, and just when the snowdrifts  
were beginning to peep above ground,  
the good old mother came to her one  
night and told her how glorious  
and beautiful it was in heaven.

The following morning the child  
was dead.

"Don't weep, father" said her new  
mother; "it is best for the poor child,"

And the girl's father answered  
not, but simply nodded his head.

The little girl was buried, but on  
Easter morn an angel with large white  
wings like a swan flew down from  
heaven, seated himself beside the  
grave and knocked thereon, as though  
it were a door. And soon the little  
girl came forth from the grave and the  
angel told her that he had come to  
take her to her mother in heaven.

Then the little girl asked in a trembling  
voice whether even humpbacked

children could enter heaven. She  
could not conceive such a thing possible.

Yet the angel answered, "You dear  
good child, you are no longer hump-  
backed," and with those words he  
passed his white hand over her back  
and the ugly gold bell fell off like a  
great hollow shell, and this left her a  
transformed being.

And what was in it? Two beautiful  
white angel wings! The child spread  
them out, as though she had always  
known how to fly, and she flew with  
the angel through the dazzling sun-  
light up into the blue sky. On the  
loftiest seat in heaven sat her good  
old mother awaiting her with out-

stretched arms, and the child flew  
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Herald.

To Color Easter Eggs.

Fill a large kettle with cold water,  
drop in goat's milk. It comes from  
near Milan and needs to ripen two or  
three years. There are a few varieties  
of cheeses which keep many years.

A Parmesan cheese has been kept 150  
and found to be good when eaten,

and to be good when eaten.

Let Husbands Rejoice.

Who says the year 1900 isn't a jubilee  
year? It is now announced that

Easter bounties this spring will be  
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VISIT OF THE ANGEL MOTHER.

Fashion she sometimes prayed that  
some good fairy would come and take  
away the burden that threatened to  
blight her whole life.

Oh, if she were only like other  
children! Was there one of them

who loved the sunshine and the flowers  
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little of the sunshine and the flowers  
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